

preprocessing said data at said central broadcast server;
transmitting preprocessed data to remote receivers communicating with said remote
computing devices; and

notifying said remote computing devices of receipt of said preprocessed data.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 257 wherein the step of notifying said
remote computing devices includes instantaneously notifying said computing devices.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 257 wherein the step of notifying said
computing devices of receipt of said preprocessed data includes notifying said computing

devices of receipt of said preprocessed data whether said computing devices are on-line or off-

line.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 257 wherein the step of preprocessing said
data further comprises providing data to one or more servers in said central broadcast server and
parsing said data with parsers corresponding to said servers.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 260 wherein said parsers include parsers that
are specialized to a particular data feed of information.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 260 wherein said parsers include stock quote
parsers.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 260 wherein said parsers include weather
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(New) The method claimed in claim 260 wherein said parsers include lotto
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(New) The method claimed in claim 260 wherein said parsers include mail
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(New) The method claimed in claim 260 wherein said parsers include sports

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(New) The method claimed in claim 260 wherein said parsers include news

parsers.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 257 wherein the step of preprocessing said data further comprises transmitting said data to a content manager for determining how said data is handled.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 268 further including transmitting said data from said content manager to an information gateway for building data blocks and assigning addresses to said data blocks.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 269 further including transmitting said data blocks from said information gateway to a transmission gateway for preparing said data blocks for transmission to receivers.

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(New) The method claimed in claim 269 wherein said step of transmitting said data from said content manager to said information gateway for building data blocks and assigning addresses to said data block, further comprises the step of: building data blocks and assigning addresses to said data block based on information in a subscriber database.

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(New) A method for transmitting data to selected electronic devices, comprising the steps of:

transmitting data from an information source to a central broadcast server;

preprocessing said data at said central broadcast server;

transmitting preprocessed data to receivers communicating with said electronic devices;

and